

LODGE NEWS.

Will Give Away Five Thousand Dollars in Prizes.

Woodmen Drills to Be Judged by Army Officers.

BUILD THEM A HOUSE.

How Odd Fellows Take Care of an Aged Couple.

Calla Co. No. 8, K. of P., Will Go to Kansas City.

The annual encampment of the Foresters, the military branch of the order of Modern Woodmen of America, will be held in St. Louis during the week set aside by the World's fair management in honor of the fraternal organizations of the country. September 5 to 10, inclusive, will be fraternal order week, and September 8 will be Modern Woodmen day. In regard to the plans for prize drills John H. Mitchell, major general commanding the Foresters, stated in a recent announcement:

The World's fair authorities have authorized the offering of nearly \$5,000 in prizes to be competed for by the uniformed Foresters during the week of their stay upon the World's fair grounds. These drills will be judged by officers of the U. S. A. and under conditions and restrictions similar to those at Camp Reeco, the following being classifications and divisions: first, Battalion Prize Drill—First, \$400; second, \$350; third, \$300; fourth, \$250; fifth, \$200; sixth, \$150; seventh, \$100; eighth, \$50; ninth, \$25; tenth, \$10. Total, \$1,300.

Senior Team Prize Drill—First, \$450; second, \$350; third, \$250; fourth, \$150; fifth, \$100; sixth, \$75; seventh, \$50. Total, \$1,300.

Junior Team Prize Drill—First, \$300; second, \$250; third, \$125; fourth, \$100; fifth, \$75; sixth, \$50; seventh, \$40. Total, \$825.

Pony Team Prize Drill—First, \$175; second, \$125; third, \$90; fourth, \$75; fifth, \$60; sixth, \$50; seventh, \$30. Total, \$605.

On Condition of Quarters on Inspection—First, \$75; second, \$50; third, \$25; fourth, \$15. Total, \$165.

Band Prize Drill, \$300; second, \$250. Total, \$550.

Also special prizes for excellency in guard duty and other individual work on the part of the team captains and Foresters.

Teams will be required to remain in uniform and under orders during the week in order to obtain the advantage above given, and will not be permitted to break camp within the nine days unless excused by the commanding officer, must appear in the parade on Woodmen day, and meet the other requirements necessary to accomplish the purpose of the uniformed branch of the society that is expected of it. But at the same time the prize drills and military duties will be so arranged as to leave every Forester ample opportunity for viewing all the attractions upon the world's fair grounds and in the city of St. Louis itself. Where reasons are shown why a team should return home before the close of camp permission will be promptly given, and, except upon parade day, full half of the day time and nearly all of the evenings will be at the disposition of the Foresters.

A district convention of the Knights of Pythias has been called to meet at Junction City, November 12. Members of the order from Riley and the half dozen counties adjoining will be expected to attend and take part. The district convention is being called over the state this year, three having already been held. One is expected to be called for Topeka during December. Several prominent colored men of Topeka are expected to go to Junction City.

The November meeting of the Topeka Ohio association will be held at the corner of Sixth and Jackson streets next Monday evening. At this meeting the newly elected officers of the association will be installed and will assume their duties.

Capital City council No. 1, Knights and Ladies of Protection, held their first social meeting on Friday evening of last week. Addresses were made by several prominent colored men of Topeka. This is a fraternal organization of colored people which promises to be very successful.

On Tuesday evening of next week a meeting of Calla company No. 8, Knights of Pythias, will be held for the purpose of making arrangements to go to Kansas City on November 25, on the occasion of the big initiation in

Convention hall, where 1,000 new knights are to be admitted into the order. This will be the greatest initiation ceremony ever held west of the Mississippi. The Knights of Pythias lodge of Kansas City has been working for months gathering in new members who have been given the obligation of the order but have not been put through the initiations. A number of bands and drill teams from all over Kansas and Missouri have been invited to parade and take part in the ceremony. Following the initiation a banquet will be held. The D. O. K. K. will conduct a revel, and members of that branch of the organization will assemble from far and wide for the festivities.

Grand Secretary W. H. Kemper of the I. O. O. F. has just concluded the purchase of small tract in Highland Park upon which the grand lodge will construct a three room dwelling, the use of which is to be given to Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Miner for the remainder of their lives. Mr. Miner has been a member of the lodge for the last year and has been in good standing for many years but adversity and age have come to him and he has been unable to pay his dues. The lodge has been contributing to a fund which has now reached \$400, out of which the cost of the house will be provided. Following the purchase of the property it will revert to the Odd Fellows grand lodge to be used for the shelter of some other superannuated lodge member.

Letters are being sent to the Odd Fellows lodges throughout the state by Grand Secretary Kemper encouraging them to renewed effort in the business of getting new members. The grand lodge reports that the last year showed good gains in the membership of the order. In Mr. Kemper's letter he points to the excellent showing the lodge is making in the annual number of members dropped for the non-payment of dues. From 55 persons per thousand in 1902 the proportion has been decreased to 44 per thousand in 1903.

Chanute lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, says the lodge has been having quite a revival of late, under the direction of Deputy Grand Master Workman J. C. Yantis, who is here looking after the interests of the lodge.

The whole lodge is apparently backing up the efforts and working together in making the lodge a more successful institution. Some of the members have been making considerable gains in the membership of the order. The present indications are that the lodge will be able to accomplish the members will have reason to rejoice. The present indications are that the lodge will be able to accomplish the members will have reason to rejoice. The present indications are that the lodge will be able to accomplish the members will have reason to rejoice.

Last Wednesday evening several candidates were received into the lodge of the Macabees lodge at the rooms of Capital City, No. 24. It was a business meeting and the affairs of the lodge were discussed at some length by the lodge. Some new paraphernalia were ordered by the lodge was inspected. A smoker is to be held next Wednesday evening at which a general invitation is extended to the friends of the lodge. Capital City tent will initiate another large class of members of the lodge about the middle of December. This will be the second large initiation of the season.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.
Italian Minister, Pinareo Rosconi commits suicide at Naples by shooting. Emperor William of Germany is successfully operated on for the removal of an inoperable tumor of the throat. A St. Louis doctor, however, gives the Kaiser only three years to live.

Carrie Nation and her dramatic company are touring the country with a production of "Ten Nights in a Barroom," at Elizabeth, N. J.

Martha Lewis is found dead and Ephraim Stiles is a suicide candidate. Both were initiated into the Phi Psi Chi fraternity in the University of Maryland.

Law proclaimed in Hassan Kala province of Asia Minor because Hentchakist bands have crossed Russian frontier; two Americans rescued.

American Federation of Labor convention is held in Faneuil Hall, Boston, with more than 600 delegates present.

Extra session of congress opens with a large attendance of spectators. The house organizes by the election of Mr. Cannon of Illinois as speaker.

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A blizzard rages in the Pacific coast and Rocky mountain states. Snow in places is four feet deep.

The wedding of Miss May Goelt to the Duke of Roxburgh in St. Peter's church in New York takes place. The bride is the richest young woman in the United States.

Colorado coal miners' strike begun, and complete stop is likely; hundreds of miners are being laid off.

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HIGHER PRICES.

November Shows Slight Advance Over Previous Month.

Trade Hampered by Wage Trouble and Warm Weather.

RAILWAY EARNINGS

Nearly 5 Per Cent. Larger Than Last Year.

Hopes for the Future Are Built on the Big Crops.

New York, Nov. 14.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

"Readjustment of wages and abnormally warm weather are not calculated to stimulate distribution of merchandise, especially wearing apparel and fuel.

Several other staple lines are quiet, as is usual at this season, yet the splendid profits of agricultural communities cannot fail to put large sums of money in circulation and provide a market for commodities. Prices of all staples were slightly higher on November 1 than the month past, but in the past two weeks the level has fallen somewhat. Settlements of labor disputes in lithography and several minor industries are offset by new struggles in the building trades, street car lines and coal mines, while the cut in wages of ironworkers and shiners may result in strikes. A special event was the resumption of work at the coke ovens. Railway earnings for the first week in November were 4.8 per cent larger than last year.

"Several significant events have occurred that indicate clearly the situation in the iron and steel industry. While furnace stocks are far in excess of all recent high points, there is some offset in the very small supplies held elsewhere, and now that quotations are lower, the market is more attractive than there is reason to look for some recovery. After the first shock of new prices was over, the market became quiet, and the chief feature is the loss sustained by jobbers and dealers, who had stocks on hand purchased above the new level in the market. The situation expressed thus otherwise over the lower figures, since they are calculated to stimulate activity. In foot-clothing the market is irregular. Building activity is favored by the late favorable fall. Coal is rather dull. Eastern shoe shipments are slow. Heavy print cloths have been dull and unsettled, and the claim is made that cloths and coarse cottons are selling below cost of production."

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The Petroleum Gazette of Pennsylvania says of Andrew Carnegie's first oil investment of \$3,822, and that of his friend, T. N. Miller, for an equal amount, that in four months the stock was worth to each 1200 per cent. above the price paid.

CHURCH NOTES.

The following programme will be given at the First Cumberland Presbyterian church on Sunday evening, November 15, commencing promptly at 8:20.

Organ voluntary.....Gould
.....Mrs. Flora E. McReynolds
Hymn.....congregation
Male quartet.....Ridings, Pen-ton, Corby, Brown.

Prayer.....Misses Dickinson, Odell, Colas McReynolds.
Scripture reading.
Solo—"The Bird With a Broken Pinion,".....John D. Brown.

Ladies quartet.....Gould
Duet—"Forever With the Lord,".....Miss Lumina C. Riddle, Mr. J. D. Brown.
Short talk by pastor, Rev. A. H. Kelo.

Solo.....Miss Lumina C. Riddle
Male quartet.....Congregation
Benediction.....Congregation

Westminster church, College avenue and Quaker street, A. M. Reynolds, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "The World's Fire Kindler," evening subject, "Ye've Account of Eden," chapter 2. Sabbath school at 9:45 a. m.; L. W. Wilson, superintendent. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.; subject, "Temperance." Leaders, Geo. Badders and Hope Curtis.

Grace Cathedral, corner Eighth and Taylor streets, Very Rev. J. P. de B. Kays, dean. Holy communion, 7:30 a. m. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Morning service, 11 a. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m.

First Presbyterian church, Harrison street, opposite capitol, Rev. J. D. Counterline, D. D., pastor. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m.; subject, "Born Under the Law," 7:30 p. m., subject, "The Temptation and Fall" (third in series on "Creation"). Special music by quartette. 9:45 a. m., Sabbath school; 2 p. m., Indian mission Sabbath school at 2:30 p. m.; Junior C. E. meeting; 6:15 p. m., Senior and Intermediate C. E. meetings. Mid-week meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.; subject, "The Curse of Strong